NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR CONSOLIDATED PLAN FOR HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT (CAPER) FOR 2011

2012-2016 Consolidated Plan

- Draft of the 2012-2016 Consolidated Plan
- Draft of the 2012 Annual Action Plan
- Public Comment Period December 1, 2011 December 31, 2011
- Hard copies of the Consolidated Plan can be obtained by calling Gloria Stiehl,
 Department of Employment and Economic Development, 1-800-657-3858, or (651)
 259-7462, or TTY 1-800-282-5909 or (651) 296-3900.
- Written public comments on the Consolidated Plan should be submitted to:
 - Consolidated Plan, Attn: Gloria Stiehl
 Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development
 First National Bank Building
 332 Minnesota Street, Suite E200
 St. Paul, MN 55101-1351
- Written comments may also be submitted by fax to (651) 296-1290 or by email to gloria.stiehl@state.mn.us. To ensure consideration of your comments, type "Consolidated Plan" in the subject line of your e-mail.

CAPER for 2011

- Draft CAPER for 2011
- Public Comment Period December 1, 2011 December 15, 2011
- Hard copies of the CAPER can be obtained by calling Minnesota Housing at 1-800-657-3769 or (651) 296-7608, or TTY (651) 297-2361.
- Written public comments on the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report for 2011 (CAPER) can be submitted to:
 - CAPER
 Minnesota Housing
 400 Sibley Street, Suite 300
 St. Paul, MN 55101
- Written comments may also be submitted by fax to (651) 296-8139 or by email to <u>mn.housing@state.mn.us</u>. To ensure consideration of your comments, type "CAPER" in the subject line of your e-mail.

First Public Hearing on Consolidated Plan

- Tuesday, October 25, 2011, 4:30 p.m., MN DEED
- Gather Citizen input on housing and community development needs

Second Public Hearing on Consolidated Plan

- Tuesday, December 6, 2011, 4:30 p.m., Minnesota Housing, 300 Sibley Street, St. Paul, MN, first floor conference room.
- Review and comment on draft Consolidated Plan

• Call 1-800-657-3858 or TTY 1-800-282-5909 for more information about these hearings.

About the Consolidated Plan

The Consolidated Plan is a report that the state submits annually to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in order to receive federal housing and community development funding through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships, Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG), and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) programs. The Consolidated Plan examines the housing and community development needs of the state, sets priorities for allocation of the HUD funds, and establishes an annual Action Plan for meeting current and future needs in the coming year.

About the CAPER

The state submits its CAPER to HUD annually as one of the conditions of receiving federal funds under the programs identified above. The CAPER provides information to measure the state's progress during the past year in meeting assistance goals and priorities identified in the Consolidated Plan. The CAPER includes a summary and analysis of progress made on identified actions that state agencies have elected to undertake to affirmatively further fair housing and overcome impediments to fair housing.

The CAPER will be submitted to HUD on or before December 31, 2011. The Consolidated Plan will be submitted to HUD on or before January 31, 2012. The State will consider any comments from individuals or groups received in writing or at public hearings. A summary of the written and public hearing comments on the Consolidated Plan and the State's responses will be included in the final Consolidated Plan.